

AEROSPACE UPDATE



March 2015

Breaking News



5th Annual Aerospace Legislative Breakfast

On March 3rd the 5th Annual Georgia Aerospace Legislative Breakfast at the Georgia

Capitol brought together State Legislators, legislative staff, and aerospace industry representatives to discuss the importance of aerospace to Georgia. The event, organized by the Center of Innovation for Aerospace and the Aerospace Policy Working Group, provided Legislators a chance to talk with industry leaders about the current state of the industry, new opportunities for growth in Georgia, and how the State can continue to foster that growth.

This year's theme was "New Frontiers for Georgia's Aerospace Industry":

- Georgia's business climate is #1 in U.S. (Site Selection Magazine, Area Development, CNBC)
- Aerospace products are Georgia's #1 international export, reaching \$8.25 billion in 2014.
- Georgia is the 4th largest aerospace exporter in the U.S. The market forecast for thousands of commercial aircraft to be built in the next 10-20 years will also spur new demand for maintenance, repair and overhaul services.
- The Southeast is expanding its aerospace base: New Boeing, Embraer and Airbus aircraft assembly facilities are all within 350 miles of the heart of our state providing expanded supplier opportunities for our companies.
- Georgia companies are exploring new commercial space opportunities including a coastal Georgia Spaceport, launch of small satellites from aircraft 'mother ships' using conventional runways instead of launch pads, and expanding space research.
- The commercial applications of Unmanned Aircraft Systems (UAS) are beginning as the FAA provides approvals to selected operators, including Georgia companies.

The main sponsor for the event was the American Institute of Aeronautics and Astronautics (AIAA), the largest professional aerospace society in the U.S., with participation by other local

Aerospace Events

March 5

Space Working Group Meeting

Atlanta, GA

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March 17-18

AUVSI Unmanned Systems in Precision Agriculture Conference

Tifton, GA

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March 22-26

Dixie Crow Symposium 40

Robins AFB, GA

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March 24

SAESAC State of the AE presented by Dr. Vigor Yang

Atlanta, GA

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March 25

Crow's N.E.S.T.

Warner Robins, GA

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March 31-April 1

Georgia Logistics Summit

Atlanta, GA

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April 2

30th Annual FACC General Assembly

Atlanta, GA

aerospace/aviation groups including the Aerospace States Association, Association for Unmanned Vehicle Systems International, Atlanta Aero Club, Georgia Airports Association, Georgia Business Aviation Association, and the 21st Century Partnership.

Georgia in the Top 3 States in Total Economic Output Supported by General Aviation



In 2014, the General Aviation Manufacturers Association (GAMA) and seven other general aviation associations hired renowned auditing firm PricewaterhouseCoopers

(PwC) to determine the industry's total impact on the U.S. national and state economies. Using data from 2013, the most analyzed the data and issued the report, "Contributions of General Aviation to the US Economy in 2013. The **"Top 3 States"** in total economic output supported by general aviation as a percent of total economic output in the state were **Kansas, Connecticut, and Georgia** in total number of jobs supported by general aviation as a share of statewide employment..

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Upcoming Events

AUVSI Unmanned Systems in Precision Agriculture Conference



The Unmanned Systems in Precision Agriculture Conference 2015, is an event showcased by the Atlanta Chapter of the Association for Unmanned Vehicle Systems

International (AUVSI). The conference is in the heart of Georgia's agriculture industry located at the University of Georgia's Tifton Campus Conference Center and will be held March 17-18, 2015.

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Dixie Crow Symposium 40



"The Power of EW & ISR for Sustained Air Supremacy"

March 22-26, 2015
Museum of Aviation
Robins AFB, Georgia

Technical Program and Short Courses sponsored by The Dixie Crow Chapter of the Association of Old Crows.

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SAESAC State of the Aerospace Engineering School Address to be Presented by Dr. Vigor

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April 17-18

WWII Heritage Days

Peachtree City, GA

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April 18

Georgia Aviation Hall of Fame Banquet

Warner Robins GA

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April 21-26

Sun' N Fun Fly-In & Expo

Lakeland, FL

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May 4-6

Atlanta Aerotropolis Alliance - SMART Airports & Regions 2015 Conference

Atlanta, GA

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May 4-7

AUVSI Unmanned Systems Conference & Trade Show

Atlanta, GA

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May 8

Georgia STEM Day

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[2015 Georgia Air Shows](#)

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Yang

Chair Dr. Vigor Yang will give the State of the AE School Address on Tuesday, March 24, 2015 at 11 am in Guggenheim 442. He will focus on current operations within the School of Aerospace Engineering, future work, and potential opportunities. There will be time at the end for Q&A.

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30th Annual French American Chamber of Commerce (FACC) General Assembly

Held April 2, 2015 at Wardlaw Center's Gordy Room, Georgia Tech from 11:30 am -2:30 pm. The featured guest speakers are: Miguel Southwell, General Manager, Hartsfield-Jackson Atlanta International Airport and Helen Howes, Managing Director, Safety, Health and Environment at Delta Air Lines.

In keeping with the upcoming UN Climate Change Conference of Paris which will be held in Le Bourget at Fall 2015, Mr. Southwell & Ms. Howes' presentation will highlight Atlanta Airport sustainability strategies, planning and upcoming projects, airline coordination & traffic flow management.

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Georgia Aviation Hall of Fame Enshrinement Banquet

This event will be held on April 18th, 2015 in the Century of Flight Hangar at the Museum of Aviation in Warner Robins Georgia. This is a large and prestigious gathering in the statewide aviation community.

Seating for the banquet is limited and by advance reservation only. Seats are \$75 per person of which \$35 is tax deductible. Attire is black-tie (dark suit optional). A social gathering begins at 6PM followed by the program and dinner at 7PM. Sponsorship opportunities are still available. For further information contact Nicole Bissette at the Georgia Aviation Hall of Fame at 478-328-0704 or visit www.gaaviationhalloffame.com.

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Make A Difference

Crow's N.E.S.T. (Novel Experiments with Science & Technology)

Location: Warner Robins, GA

March 25, 2015

The Dixie Crow Chapter of the Association of Old Crows Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (STEM) Robotics displays and technology demonstrations, are an interactive experience that will capture the minds and hearts of students, parents, and teachers.

They are looking for Academia, Industry, Government/Military and other Organizations to display



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their creative robotic talents and/or interactive technological products to inspire students to pursue STEM careers! Crow's N.E.S.T. Sponsorship Available: \$5,000 (Willing to share sponsorship with multiple partners).

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World War II Heritage Days

Location: Peachtree City, GA

April 17-18, 2015

The WWII Heritage Days presented by the Dixie Wing of the Commemorative Air Force (CAF) is held in Peachtree City each year to educate the public about the sacrifices of "the greatest generation" during World War Two.

Featured this year will be the CAF B-24 Liberator "Diamond Lil". This incredibly rare B-24A model was one of the very first off the assembly line and is one of two still flying in the world.

The recent bestselling book and block-buster movie "Unbroken", featured the B-24 and tells the inspirational story of Louis Zamperini. The B-24 will be available for tours and flights - and for a very special event -five WWII B-24 crew members are scheduled for a "Warbird in Review" and will share their wartime experiences. ***The CAF is currently looking for sponsors; for more information, visit their [website](#) or contact CAF Dixie Wing Marketing Director Jay Bess (jaybess@bellsouth.net, 770-335-9835).***

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